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Mr. James O'Neill, Deputy Archivist
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Dear Mr. O'Neill,

Thanks for your letter of the 28 in which you say you are copying the records released by the FBI in 12/75.

If this can be done by Friday, I will be in town then and can pick them up. I will get a message through Mr. Lesar if this is possible because we will be in court then in a case with no Archives connection.

As I remember it when there is a release of the kind you indicate there is also a list. If you are not including this list in whatever form or forms it may exist, I'd appreciate it or them, thanks.

If you have any overall list or lists of what has been released since the 1970 declassifications I'd appreciate that also.

Whether or not you realize it your refusal to send me whatever is released on release has the practical effect of cutting me off. This must be an even more serious problem for those living in remote places like Alaska or Hawaii.

As you know, I've never complained about the cost of duplications.

And most of the agencies insist on copies being provided by the Archives, not by them.

Some of these newer materials are included in requests I've made over the years and you refused. I was then told that if and when these records were released they would be sent to me. One subject I recall is anything and everything related to the medical evidence, the autopsy, etc. I hear from others that you have made this available and have not once either told me or as you promised, sent me copies.

In time I'm certain your refusal to send me everything as it is released is going to mean more work and trouble for you, especially now that more rapid and collating copiers are commonplace. At the very least each thing I get will mean much extra handling for the Archives. It will result in considerable wastes of the time of your employees and many ineffeciencies.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg